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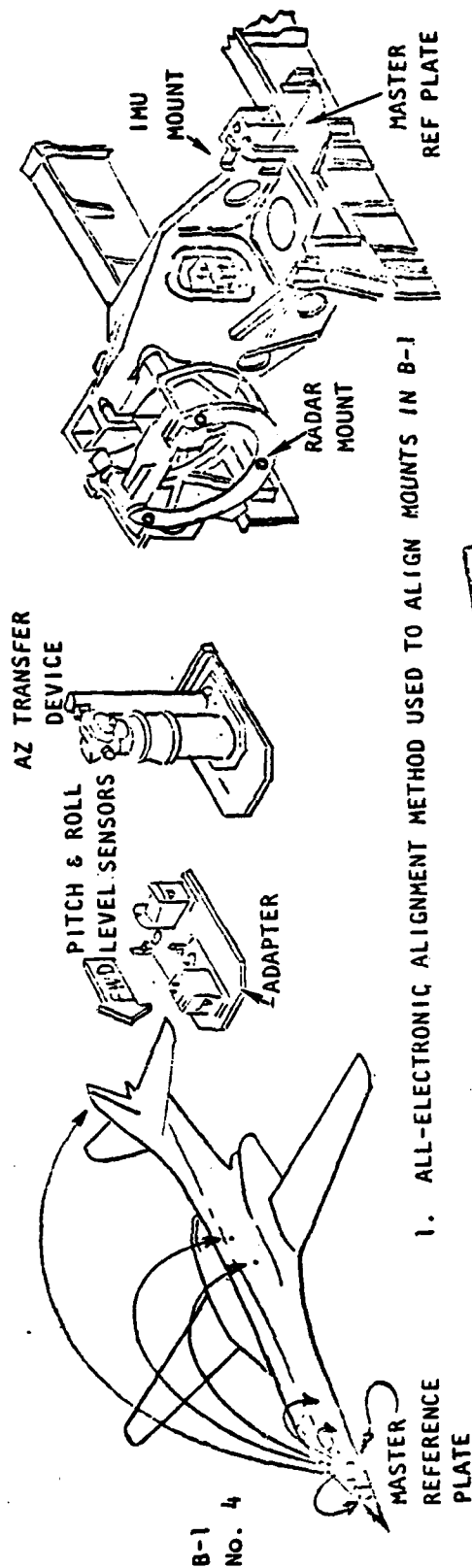
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OUTLINE:

- BACKGROUND;
- UNIVERSAL INSTRUMENTS;
- ELIMINATION OF ADAPTERS;
- INSTRUMENT TECHNOLOGY SURVEY;
- APPLICATIONS TO PRESENT, NEW AIRCRAFT;
- COST EFFECTIVENESS;
- CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS.

BACKGROUND

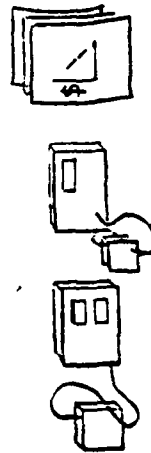


1. ALL-ELECTRONIC ALIGNMENT METHOD USED TO ALIGN MOUNTS IN B-1

2. PROPOSAL TO STUDY IMPROVED, UNIVERSAL ALIGNMENT METHOD



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3. OBJECTIVES:
DEFINE AND JUSTIFY
UNIVERSAL INSTRUMENTS &
COMPATIBLE MOUNTS.

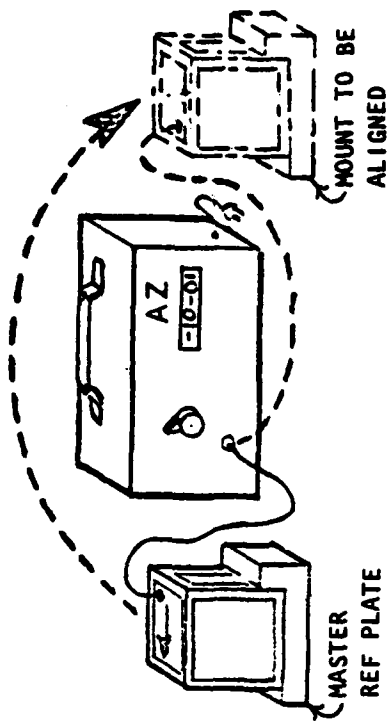
4. STUDY APPROACH:

- DEFINE REQUIREMENTS
- CONDUCT INSTRUMENT SURVEY
- ANALYZE OPTICAL VS ELECTRONIC ALIGNMENT ON NEW AIRCRAFT, ON F-15, A-10, B-52 OAS
- CONDUCT COST EFFECTIVENESS EVALUATION
- PREPARE SPEC FOR NEW MOUNTS

DESIRED IMPROVEMENTS

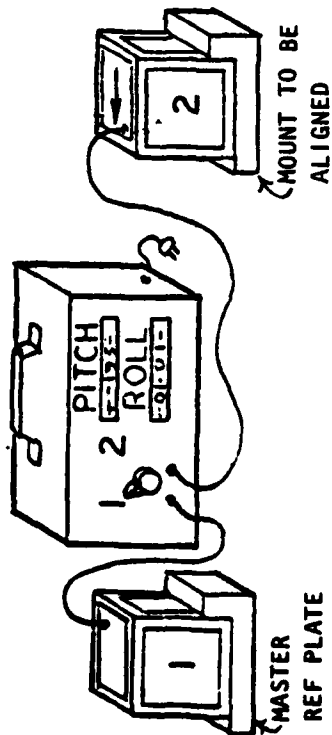
- ELIMINATE ALIGNMENT ADAPTERS AND FIXTURES
- SIMPLIFY ALIGNMENT OPERATIONS
 - PROVIDE DIRECT, INSTANT READOUTS OF ALIGNMENT
 - AVOID NEED TO MOVE OR STABILIZE AIRCRAFT

RECOMMENDED REQUIREMENTS FOR UNIVERSAL ALIGNMENT INSTRUMENTS



AZ DIRECTIONAL GYRO TRANSFER DEVICE

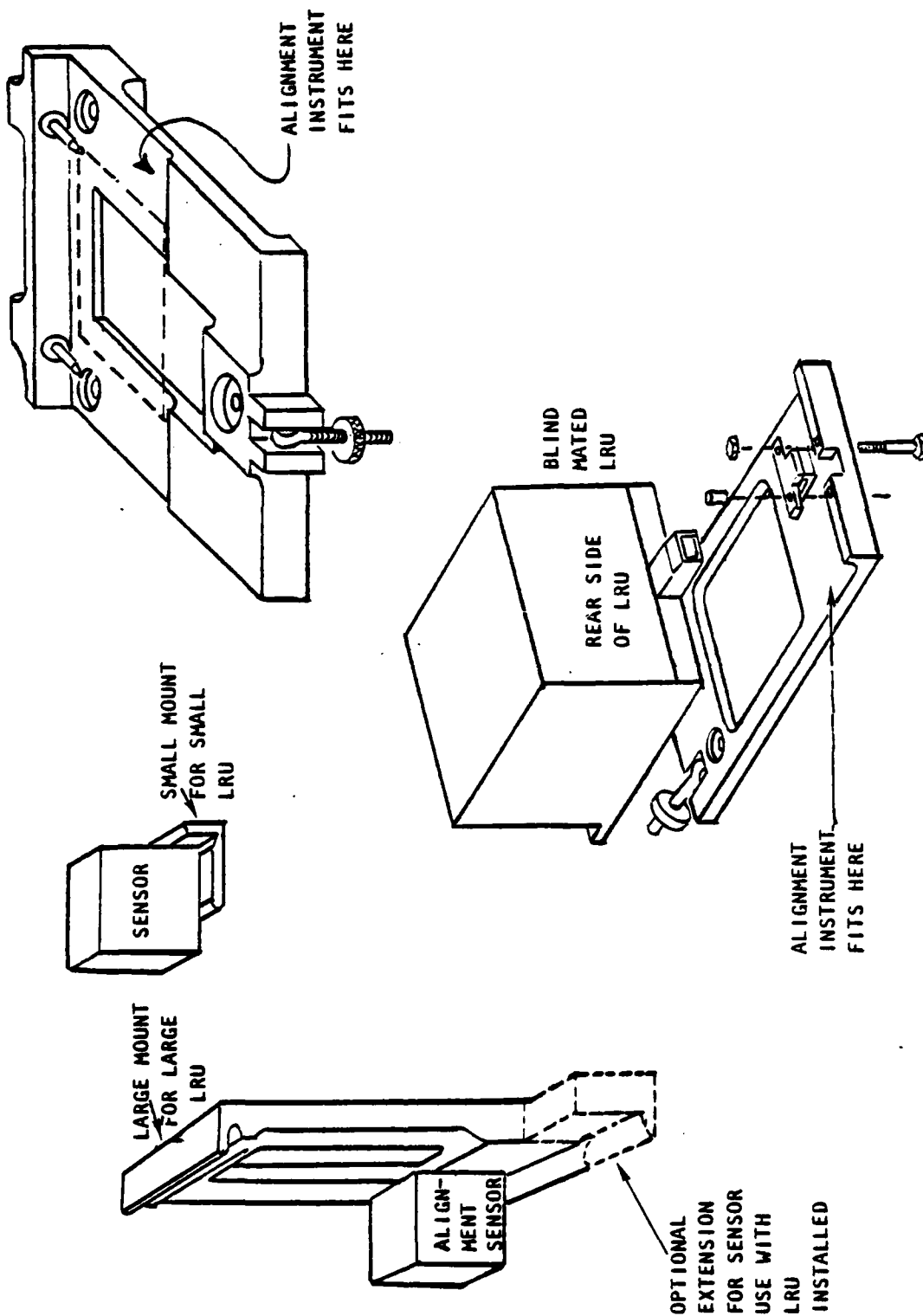
+0.10 MRAD TRANSFER ACCY FOR 0.1 HR
 +0.50 ACCY FOR 0.5 HR DRIFT TIME
 5 INCH CUBICAL SENSOR MODULE
 OPERABLE BY UNTRAINED PERSONNEL
 WEIGHT GOAL: UNDER 20 LB TOTAL
 RDT&E LIMIT: \$500K
 COST GOAL: UNDER \$50K



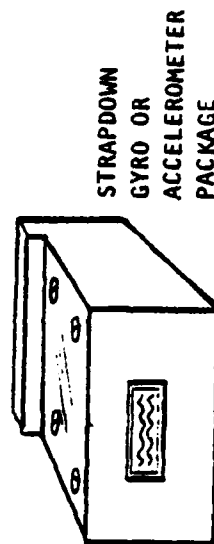
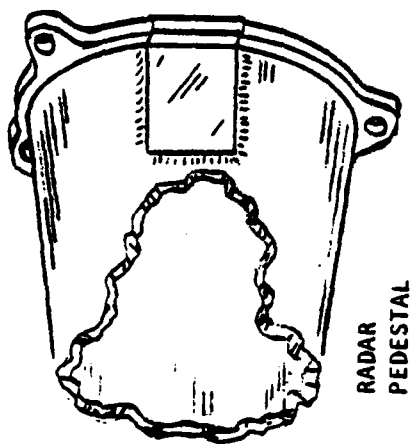
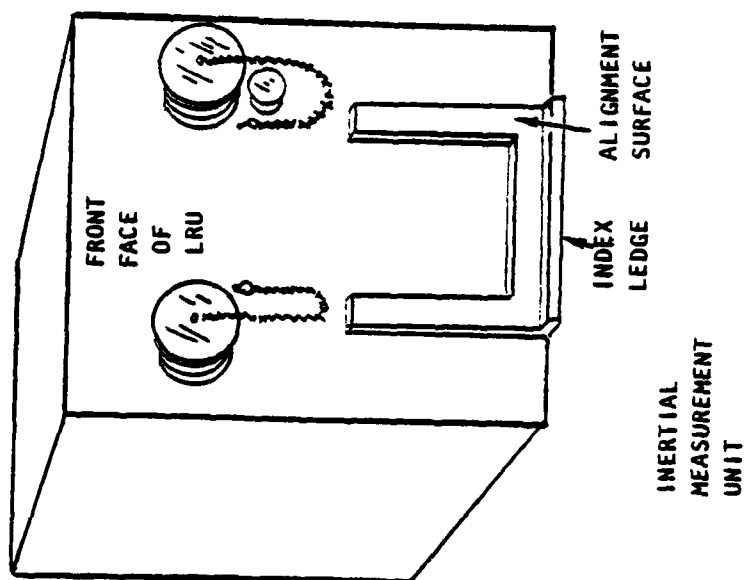
2 - AXIS DIFFERENTIAL LEVEL SENSOR SYSTEM

+0.10 MRAD PITCH & ROLL TRANSFER ACCY
 CONTINUOUS READOUTS: 1 SEC SETTLING TIME
 SAME SIZE SENSOR MODULE AS AZ XFR DEVICE
 OPERABLE BY UNTRAINED PERSONNEL
 WEIGHT GOAL: UNDER 10 LB TOTAL
 RDT&E LIMIT: \$100K
 COST GOAL: UNDER \$15K

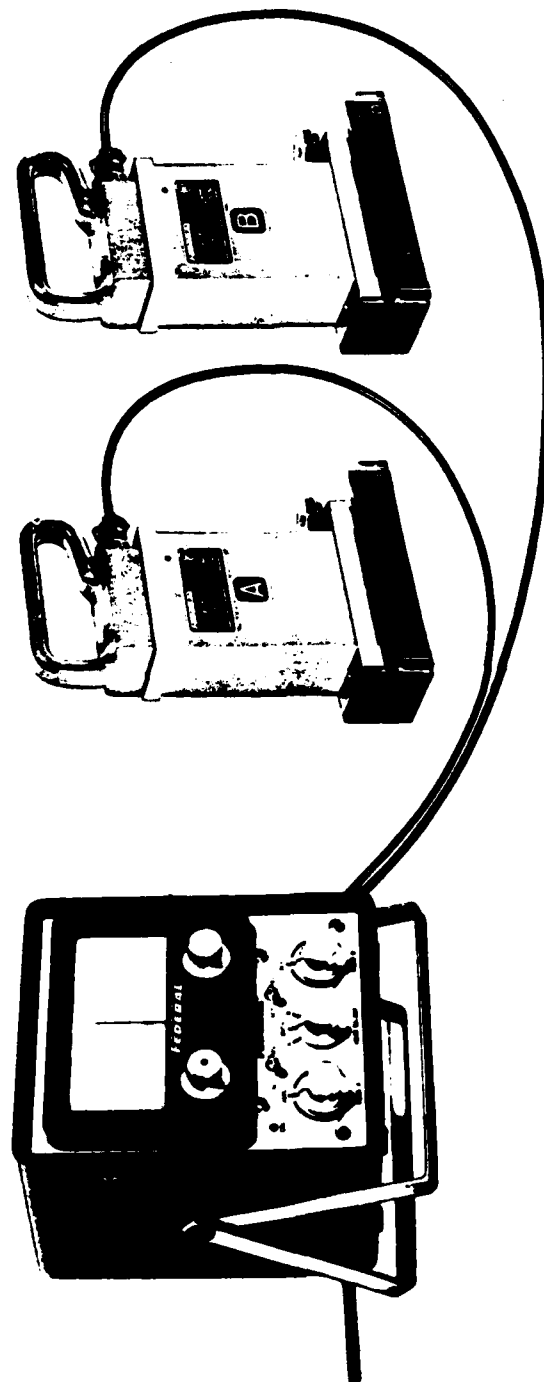
EXAMPLES OF MOUNTS WHICH REQUIRE NO ALIGNMENT ADAPTERS FOR UNIVERSAL ALIGNMENT INSTRUMENTS



EXAMPLES OF LRU'S WHICH ARE DIRECTLY
COMPATIBLE WITH ALIGNMENT INSTRUMENTS

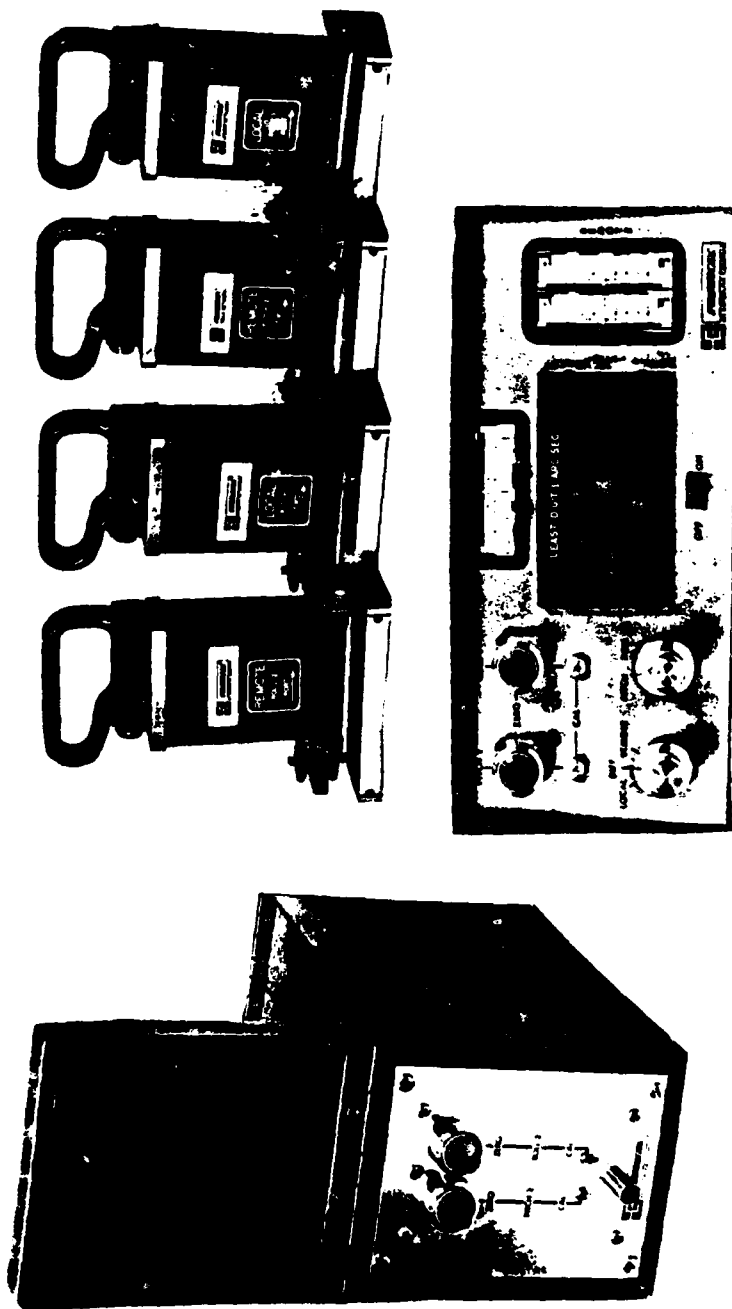


EXAMPLE OF OFF-SHELF LEVEL SENSORS

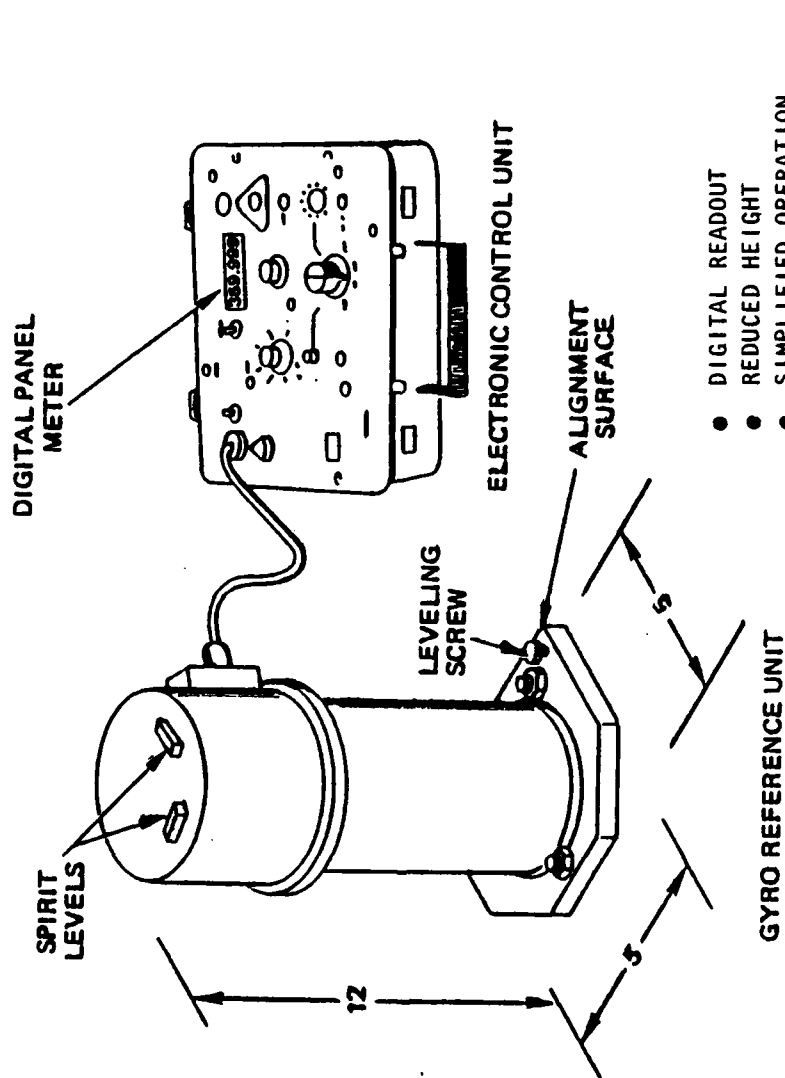


- 5 SCALES
- ADJUSTABLE BASES
- 1 ARC SEC ACCY
- ABSOLUTE OR DIFFERENTIAL READINGS
- \$4 K
- FEDERAL PRODUCTS CORP

OFF-SHELF DIGITAL DIFFERENTIAL LEVEL SENSOR SYSTEM

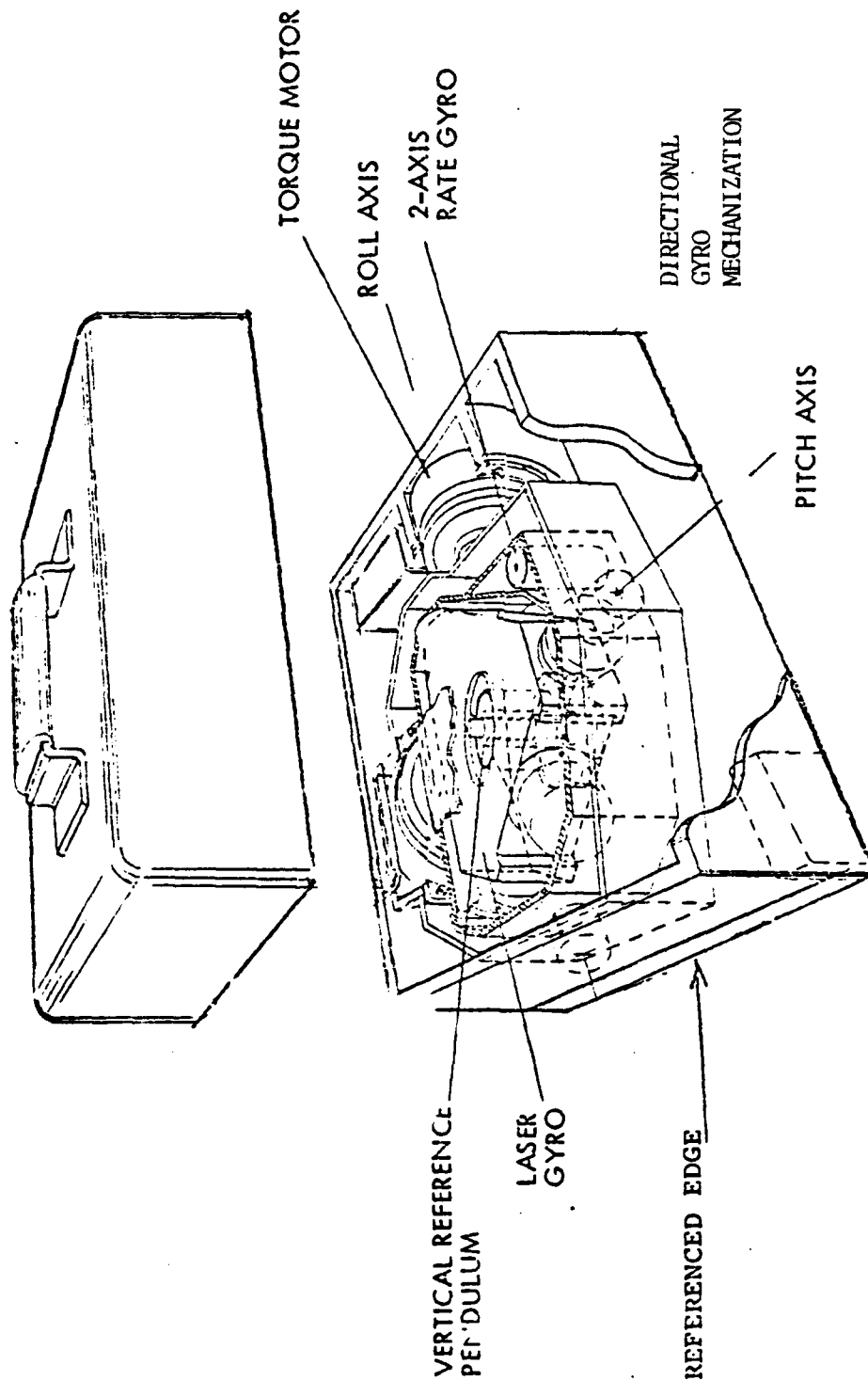


IMPROVED VERSION OF AZ TRANSFER DEVICE USED ON B-1



- DIGITAL READOUT
- REDUCED HEIGHT
- SIMPLIFIED OPERATION
- FASTER SETTLING
- LESS VIBRATION SENSITIVITY
- \$250 K - 350 K RDT&E
- \$150 K TOOLING
- \$32 - 33 K EACH

AZ GYRO TRANSFER DEVICE PROPOSED BY RAYTHEON



REMOTE ELECTRONICS
UNIT NOT SHOWN

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INSTRUMENT SURVEY RESULTS

- DIGITAL DIFFERENTIAL LEVEL SENSOR SYSTEM CAN BE DEVELOPED TO REQUIREMENTS IN 10-12 MONTHS WITH LOW RISK

	<u>RDT&E*</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>
AUTONETICS REPACKAGED TILTMETER	\$ 95 K	\$15 K
REPACKAGED FED PROD CORP QUAD SENSOR	UNK	\$17 K NOW
GOALS: \$100 K MAX		\$15 K MAX

- AZ GYRO TRANSFER DEVICE TECHNICALLY FEASIBLE: SOME COST RISK

- 12-15 MONTHS DEVELOPMENT TIME
- DIRECTIONAL GYRO MECHANIZATION PREFERRED, OBTAINABLE
- 5 INCH SENSOR CUBE (APPROX) OBTAINABLE
- 0.1 MRAD/0.1 HR & 0.5 MRAD/0.5 HR ACCY OK

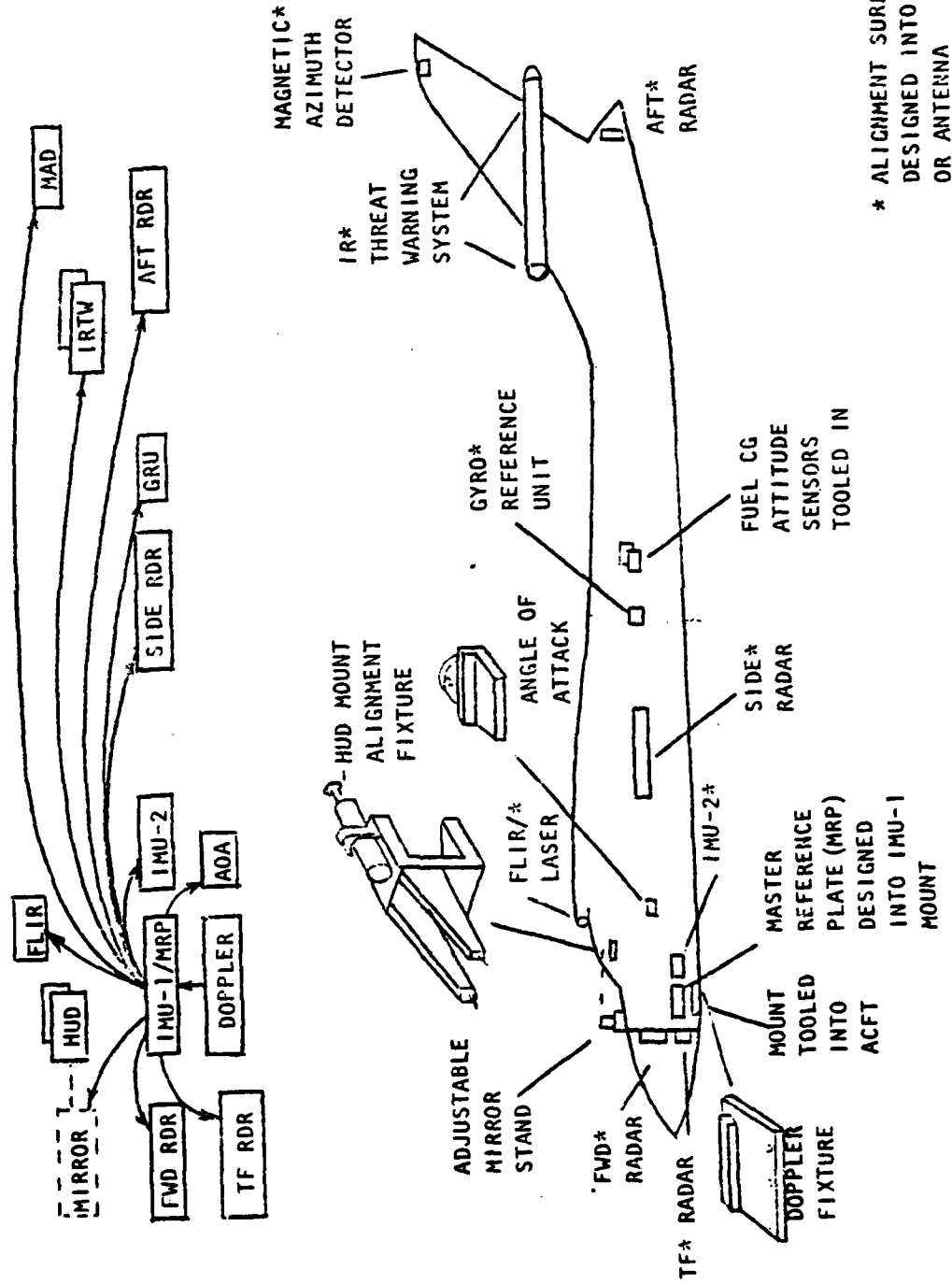
	<u>RDT&E*</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>
RAYTHEON RING LASER GYRO DG MECH	\$500 K	\$ 45 K
LEAR SIEGLER STRAPDOWN DG MECH	\$440 K	\$ 45 K
LITTON LR-80 STRAPDOWN GYRO MOD	\$540 K	\$190
GOALS:	\$500 K MAX	\$ 50 K MAX

- MONITOR NAVY EFFORT TO AVOID DUPLICATION

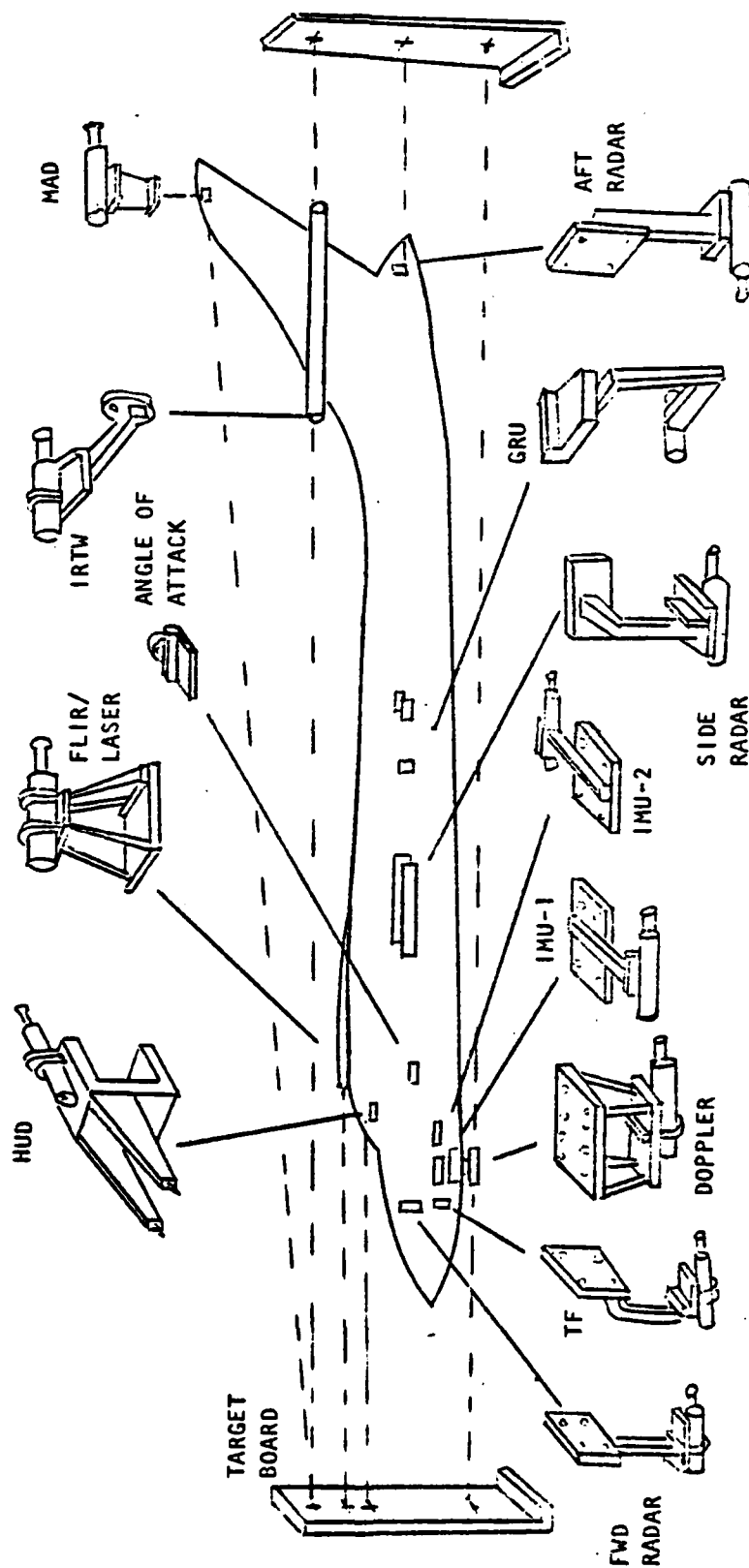
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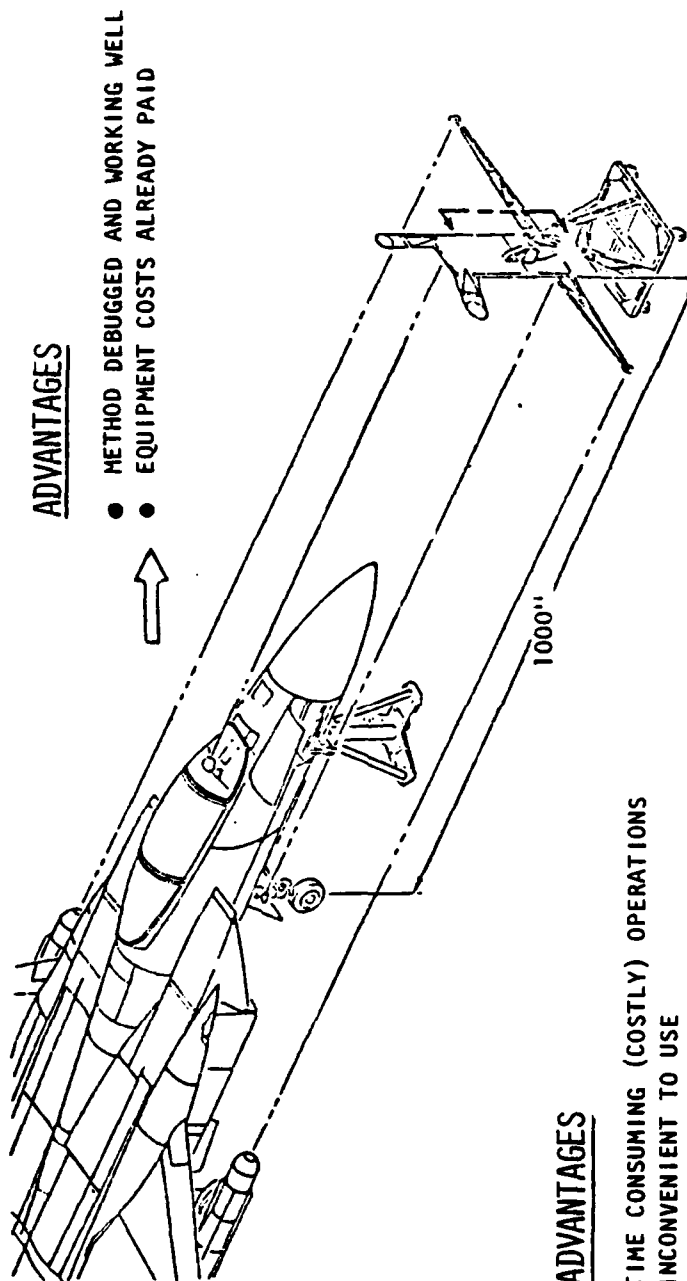
ELECTRONIC ALIGNMENT CONCEPT FOR HYPOTHETICAL NEW AIRCRAFT



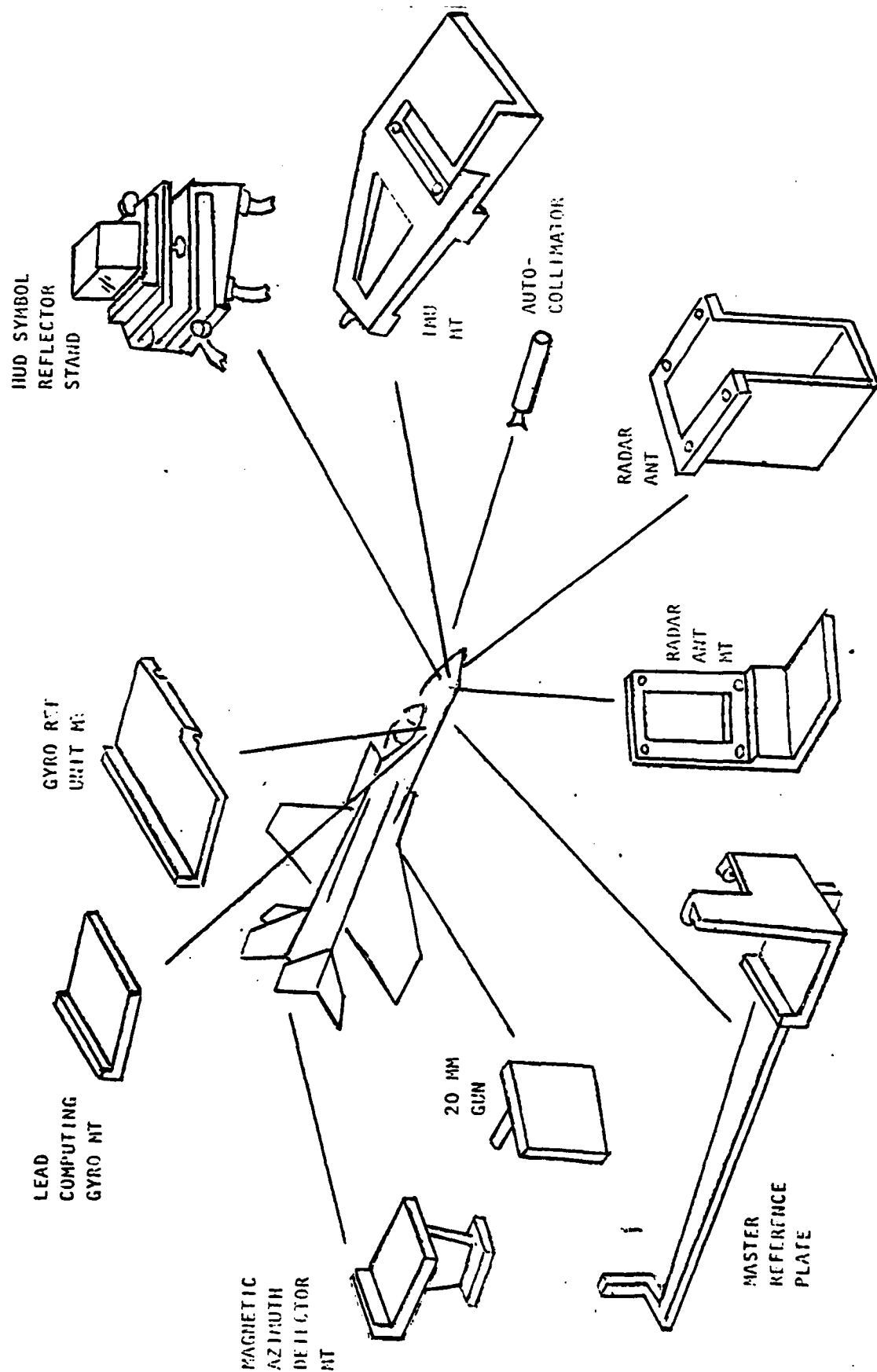
OPTICAL ALIGNMENT METHOD FOR HYPOTHETICAL NEW AIRCRAFT



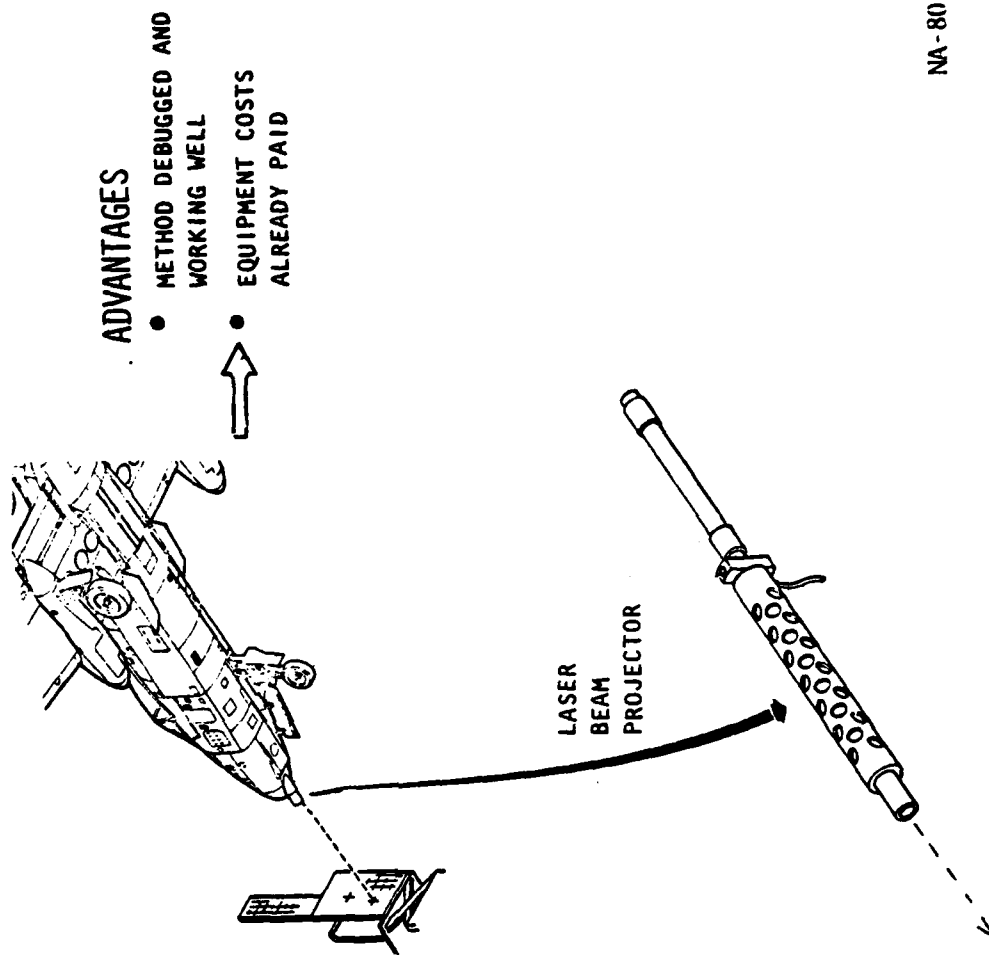
OPTICAL ALIGNMENT METHOD IN USE ON F-15



ADAPTERS NEEDED FOR ELECTRONIC ALIGNMENT ON F-15



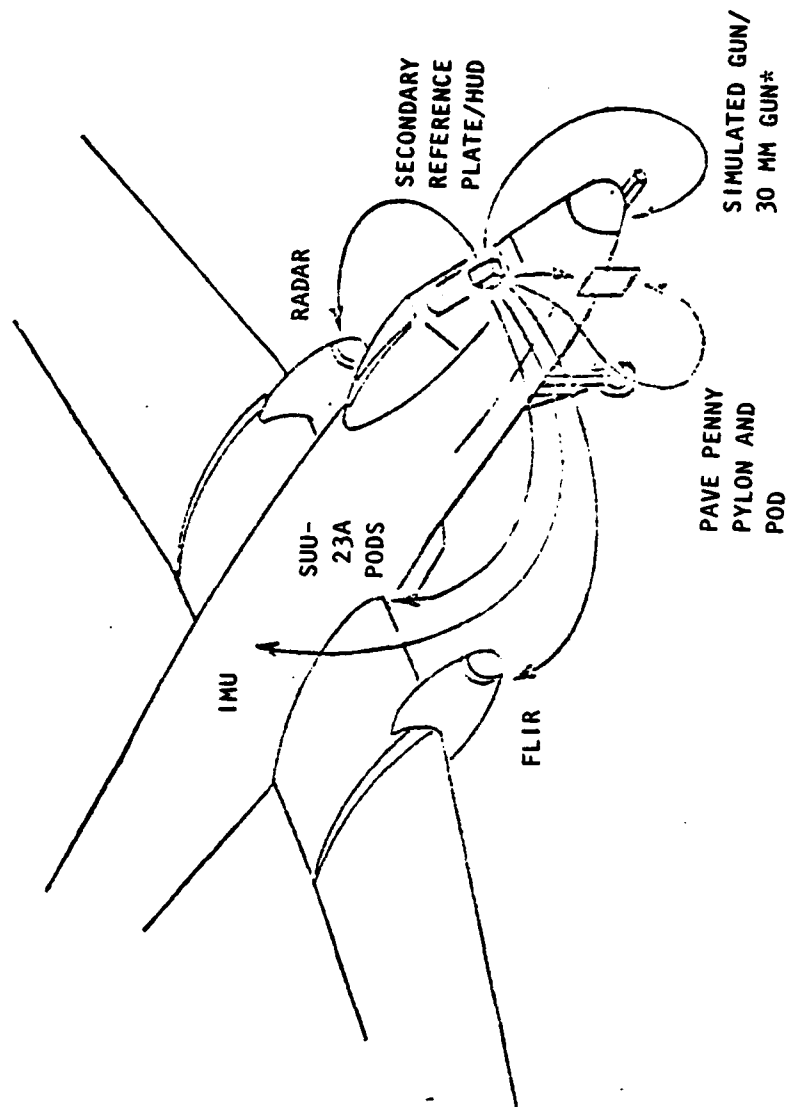
LASER ALIGNMENT METHOD PRESENTLY USED ON A-10



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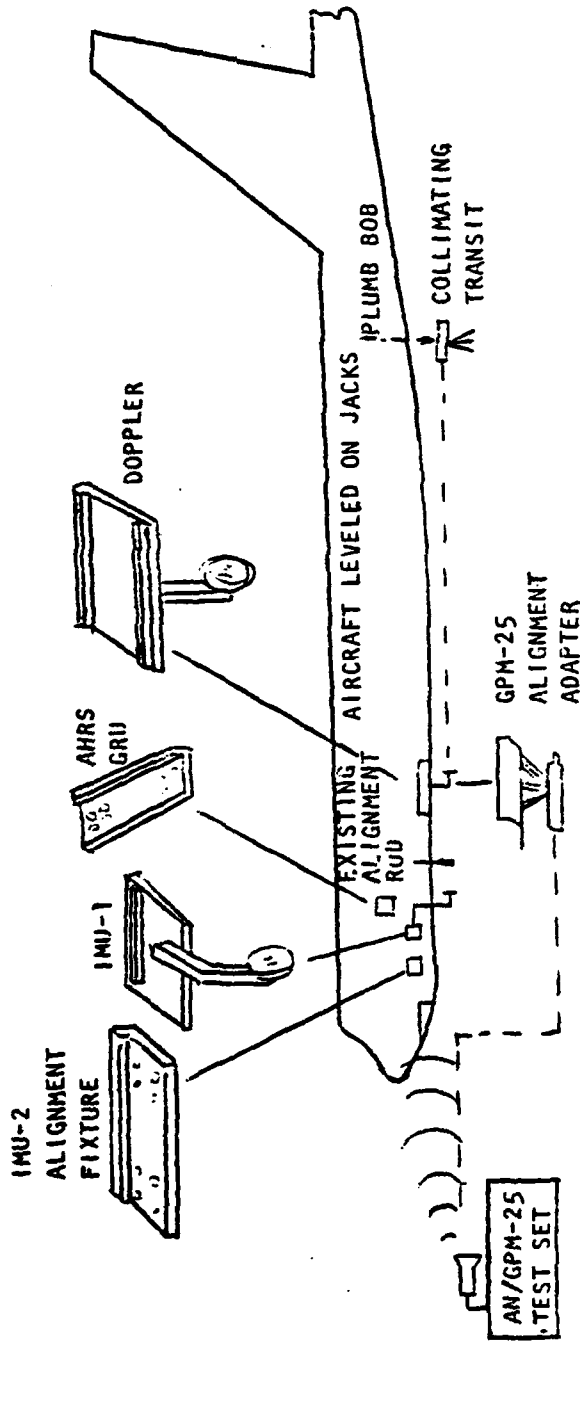
- LESS CONVENIENT THAN ELECTRONIC ALIGNMENT

ELECTRONIC ALIGNMENT CONCEPT FOR A-10 NIGHT/ADVERSE WEATHER VERSION

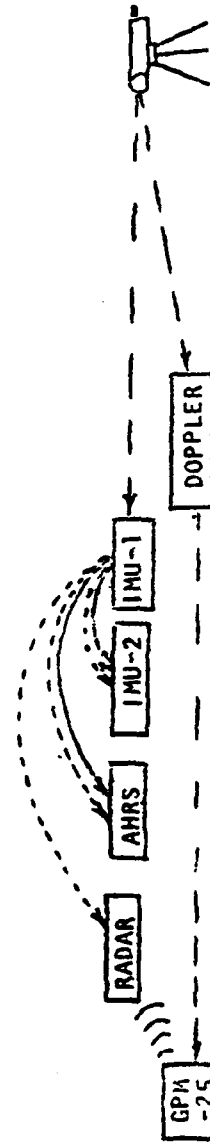


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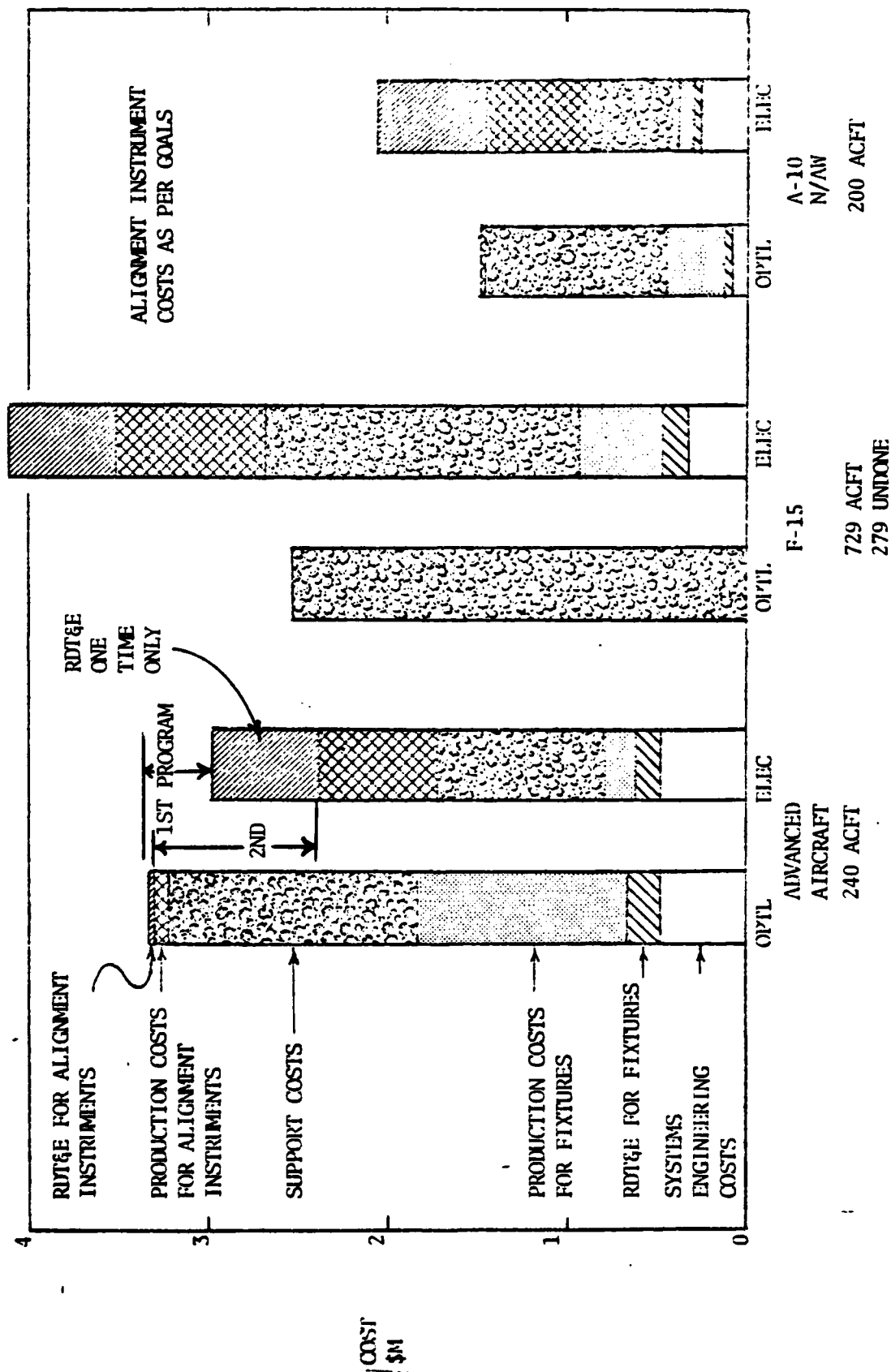
BOEING B-52 OAS ALIGNMENT METHOD



--- OPTICAL ALIGNMENT, AZ
 --- MECHANICAL ALIGNMENT, AZ
 --- TRANSFER ALIGNMENT, PITCH AND ROLL



MOUNT ALIGNMENT LIFE CYCLE COSTS



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ADVANTAGES OF UNIVERSAL ALIGNMENT INSTRUMENTS

- NO/FEW ADAPTERS TO DESIGN AND PRODUCE FOR NEW AIRCRAFT
- NO DEDICATED WORK SPACE OR SCHEDULE TIME NEEDED
- NO AIRCRAFT STABILIZATION REQUIRED
- NO SPECIAL TRAINING
- INSTANT READOUT OF ALIGNMENT
- EASY ACCESS TO MOUNT ADJUSTMENTS
- HIGHLY ACCURATE
- ADAPTABLE TO ALIGNMENT CHECKS WITH LRU'S INSTALLED
- RE-USE OF INSTRUMENTS ON OTHER PROGRAMS

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

CONCLUSIONS

- WITHIN PRESCRIBED LIMITS, UNIVERSAL ALIGNMENT INSTRUMENTS ARE COST-EFFECTIVE (BREAK-EVEN ON 1ST PROGRAM, SAVE ON 2ND)
- INSTRUMENT PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS ARE PRACTICAL AND OBTAINABLE
- PRESCRIBED INSTRUMENT COST LIMITS APPEAR OBTAINABLE
- PRESENT AIRCRAFT SHOULD BE LEFT UNCHANGED

RECOMMENDATIONS

- PREPARE INSTRUMENT RFP'S
- PROCEED WITH DEVELOPMENT IF PROPOSALS SATISFY COST GOALS
- CONVERT MOUNT CRITICAL ITEM SPEC TO MIL-STD SPEC
- EMPLOY UNIVERSAL INSTRUMENTS ON NEXT AIRCRAFT PROGRAM